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SUBJ: PRESS COMMENT ON LAY-OFFS AT RFE

1. HUNGARIAN TRADE UNION DAILY NEPSZAVA AUGUST 2 CARRIED ARTICLE COMMENTING ON REDUCTION IN WORK FORCE AT RFE AND RADIO LIBERTY. ARTICLE STATES THAT BY AUTUMN 1975 WORK FORCE WILL BE ONE-THIRD LESS THAN "DURING COLD WAR".

2. NEPSZAVA ATTRIBUTES LAY-OFFS TO: (A) SUCCESS OF SOVIET UNION'S POLICY OF DETENTE; AND (B) SPREADING OF AMERICA'S ECONOMIC RECESSION BEYOND ITS BORDERS. ARTICLE THEN PUT LAY-OFFS IN CLASS TERMS CLAIMING THAT BOARD OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING DOUBLED ITS OWN BUDGET WHILE ORDERING REDUCTIONS IN SIZE OF WORK FORCE AT RADIO STATIONS.

3. ARTICLE WRITTEN IN TONE OF SELF-SATISFACTION OVER PRESUMED REDUCTION IN EFFECTIVENESS OF RFE AND RADIO LIBERTY WHICH IT ATTRIBUTES TO "VICTORY" OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE, GIVEN ASSIST BY CRISIS OF CAPITALISM. ALTHOUGH HUNGARIAN LEADERSHIP CONSIDERS RFE AN IRRITANT

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IN EAST-WEST RELATIONS, IT DOES NOT SEEM TO FEEL AS

THREATENED BY OUTSIDE RADIO BROADCASTING AS IT DID
BEFORE MID-1960'S
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